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SUBJECT: RESULTS OF BLUE LANTERN CHECK ON APPLICATION 05-988873

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1. Per reftel, EconOff visited site of MMC Security Force, Inc. to assess the company's operations. The company's proprietor, Alfred M. Mekdeci (an American citizen), and CEO, Colonel (ret.) Carl Morgan, provided the following information:

-The firm was founded in 1995, originally to provide security for Mekdeci's mining interests in the interior. It began providing private security along the coast in the late 1990's. Its primary services are residential and commercial site security, CCTV, mobile patrols, and 24-hour armed response units.

-While firearms sales are not a primary line of business, the firm assists customers seeking to procure munitions. This is primarily for sporting use. The CEO produced records of past transactions that include the firearms license for each end-user and appear legitimate and complete.

-The company is familiar with restrictions on sale of USML articles. Colonel Morgan also gained experience in foreign military sales during his career with the Guyana Defense Force.

-Security on-site is adequate. MMC's facility is secured by high fences and locked gates as well as armed guards.

-Mekdeci reported that the .22 rounds to be imported on this application are for recreational use at his ranch in the Abary region.

2. In post's assessment, the company is/is a reliable recipient of USML items.

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